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International Patent Classification (IPC) or national classification and IPC A61B 8/14						
Applicant MATSUSHITA ELECTRIC INDUSTRIAL CO., LTD.						
1. This international preliminary examination report has been prepared by this International Preliminary Examining Authority and is transmitted to the applicant according to Article 36.						
2. This REPORT consists of a total of4 sheets, including this cover sheet. This report is also accompanied by ANNEXES, i.e., sheets of the description, claims and/or drawings which have been amended and are the basis for this report and/or sheets containing rectifications made before this Authority (see Rule 70.16 and Section 607 of the Administrative Instructions under the PCT).						
These annexes consist of a total of 3 sheets.						
3. This report contains indications relating to the following items:						
I Basis of the report	I Basis of the report					
II Priority	II Priority					
III Non-establishment	III Non-establishment of opinion with regard to novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability					
IV Lack of unity of inv	Lack of unity of invention					
Reasoned statement under Article 35(2) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement						
VI Certain documents	VI Certain documents cited					
VII Certain defects in the	VII Certain defects in the international application					
VIII Certain observations on the international application						
Date of submission of the demand		Date of completion of this report				
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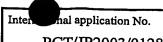
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I. Basis (
1. With	regard to	he elements of the international application:*					
	the inter	national application as originally filed	<u>.</u>	_			
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 With regard to the language, all the elements marked above were available or furnished to this Authority in the language in which the international application was filed, unless otherwise indicated under this item. These elements were available or furnished to this Authority in the following language which is: 							
	the language of a translation furnished for the purposes of international search (under Rule 23.1(b)).						
	the language of publication of the international application (under Rule 48.3(b)).						
	the language of the translation furnished for the purposes of international preliminary examination (under Rule 55.2 and/ or 55.3).						
3. With regard to any nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence disclosed in the international application, the international preliminary examination was carried out on the basis of the sequence listing:							
	contained in the international application in written form.						
	filed together with the international application in computer readable form.						
	furnished subsequently to this Authority in written form.						
	furnished subsequently to this Authority in computer readable form.						
	The statement that the subsequently furnished written sequence listing does not go beyond the disclosure in the international application as filed has been furnished.						
		atement that the information recorded in connished.	mputer readable form is identical	to the written sequence listing has			
4. 🛛	The an	nendments have resulted in the cancellation of					
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		the drawings, sheets/fig					
5.	This re	port has been established as if (some of) the the disclosure as filed, as indicated in the Sur	amendments had not been made, s pplemental Box (Rule 70.2(c)).**	ince they have been considered to go			
in t	* Replacement sheets which have been furnished to the receiving Office in response to an invitation under Article 14 are referred to in this report as "originally filed" and are not annexed to this report since they do not contain amendments (Rule 70.16 and 70.17).						
** Any	replacem	ent sheet containing such amendments must b	e referred to under item 1 and ann	exed to this report,			





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III. Nor	n-establishment of opinion with regard to novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability			
1. The questions whether the claimed invention appears to be novel, to involve an inventive step (to be non obvious), or to be industrially applicable have not been examined in respect of:				
	the entire international application.			
\boxtimes	claims Nos			
beca	use:			
	the said international application, or the said claims Nos relate to the following subject matter which does not require an international preliminary examination (specify):			
	the description, claims or drawings (indicate particular elements below) or said claims Nos.			
<u> </u>	are so unclear that no meaningful opinion could be formed (specify):			
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	the claims, or said claims Nos are so inadequately supported by the description that no meaningful opinion could be formed.			
\boxtimes	no international search report has been established for said claims Nos			
 A meaningful international preliminary examination cannot be carried out due to the failure of the nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence listing to comply with the standard provided for in Annex C of the Administrative Instructions: 				
	the written form has not been furnished or does not comply with the standard.			
	the computer readable form has not been furnished or does not comply with the standard.			

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The inventions as set forth in claims 1 to 12 are not the inventions that were set forth in the claims of the international application as filed; therefore, an international search report was not created in relation to said inventions.